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**YOUR**  
**CARELESSNESS**  
**MAY**

**DESTROY** the plant you  
work in —

**KILL** your fellow  
workmen—

**LOSE** your job.

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*Protect Your Plant,  
Prevent Fires, Explosions*

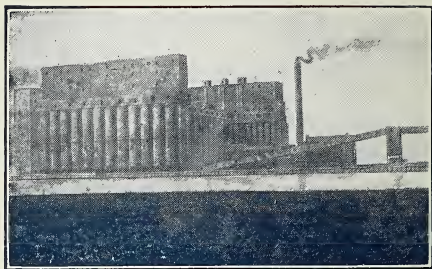
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**THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**  
asks you to help protect your mill,  
the food in it and the lives of its  
workmen.

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**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C.**

# PROSPERITY



*The grain in this 10,000,000 bushel elevator will provide full bread rations for over 2,000,000 people during the coming year unless*

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**B**ILL BUMPTIOUS joined early when a safety-first club was organized in the elevator where he worked. When it came to joining anything Bill was always Johnny-on-the-job. So he agreed heartily to everything that was said about preventing grain dust explosions and fires, and wore his button to work and on Sundays, too.

**W**ITH the cooperation of mill and elevator men during the past few months the recurrence of great losses in grain, property, and lives of workmen, such as occurred early in the war, has been avoided.

He knew what a fire in that plant would mean, and he also knew that Uncle Sam needed every pound of food and the help of every American in Uncle's big job of feeding half of the world while it was getting on its feet again after knocking out Kaiser Bill.

So Bill Bumptious, for a whole week, was so careful that it hurt him. Then his foreman saw him use an open flame in making

## → FIRE



→ *Carelessness, negligence, indifference, or thoughtlessness causes disaster, and*

some repairs in the elevator. Bill never did like it when anybody said rough things to him. He was careful for another week.

One day Bill was working on the bin floor. "A little smoke won't do me any harm," he thought, and lighted a cigarette. Another

**CAREFUL** study by Uncle Sam has shown that a large number of explosions and fires in mills and elevators can be prevented by observing simple safety measures. Will you help in reducing these losses to life, grain and property?

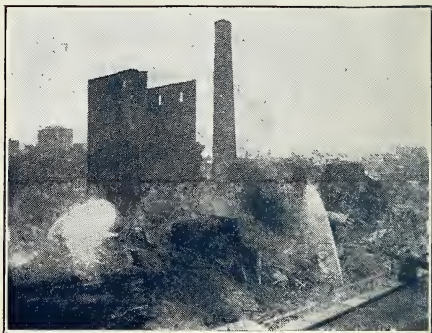
man unexpectedly appeared on this floor and Bill tossed his cigarette into a corner.

The money loss was figured near a million, and the food loss at enough to keep the city of New York going for several weeks.

They rebuilt the plant, but Bill Bumptious does not work there any more. The man who appeared on the bin floor was his foreman.

**MORAL**—One careful man beats a whole fire department.

## → RUIN



→ *Needless loss of food for which millions are calling and starving.*

**1** ounce of prevention **=** **1** ton of cure

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## **FOLLOW THESE RULES—**

**DO NOT SMOKE** or carry matches in or near the buildings.

**DO NOT USE OPEN FLAMES**, torches, candles, lanterns, or unprotected electric light bulbs in dusty air or when examining bins or elevator legs.

**DO NOT LET DUST ACCUMULATE** on beams, machines, pulleys or floors.

**EXAMINE ELEVATORS AND CONVEYORS** often. Report immediately any rubbing, slipping or other trouble no matter how slight.

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**SAVE** **LIVES**  
**FOOD**  
**PROPERTY**





1 U.S. Dept. of agriculture.

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